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Re: New Continuation-in-part U.S. Patent Application  
Applicant: Sara FUCHS et al.  
Title: RECOMBINANT FRAGMENTS OF THE HUMAN ACETYLCHOLINE RECEPTOR AND  
THEIR USE FOR TREATMENT OF MYASTHENIA GRAVIS  
Atty's Docket: FUCHS-2A

Sir:

Attached herewith is the above-identified application for Letters Patent including:

- Application Data Sheet
- Specification (100 pages), claims ( 6 pages) , sequence listing (9 pages) and abstract (1 page)
- 15 Sheets Drawings (Figures 1-18B)
- FORMAL  Informal
- The inventors of this application are:

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- Information Disclosure Statement with SB/08A and \_\_\_ references
- Return Receipt Postcard (in duplicate)

The following statements are applicable:

- Applicant hereby requests that this application **not** be published pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §122(a). It is certified on behalf of applicant that the invention disclosed in the application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing.
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

[X] The benefit under 35 USC §119 is claimed of the filing date of: Application No. IL120792 in Israel on May 7, 1997. A certified copy of the priority document was transmitted by the International Bureau to the file of parent application 09/423,398, since the parent case is a national phase of a PCT application.

[ ] The present application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Appln. No. 60/\_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.

[X] The present application is a [ ] Continuation [ ] Division [ X ] Continuation-in-Part of prior Application No. 09/423,398, filed November 8, 1999 as a 371 national stage application of PCT/IL98/00211, filed May 6, 1998. Although this application is stated to be a CIP, applicant does not concede that any matter is presented in this application which is not present in the parent.

[ ] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
[ ] --This is a continuation / division / continuation-in-part of copending parent application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_  
[ ] --The present application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Appln. No. 60/\_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.  
[ ] --The present application is the national stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 of international application \_\_\_\_\_ which designated the United States[, which international application was published under PCT Article 21(2) in English].--

[X] Certain documents were previously cited or submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office in the following prior application 09/423,398, which is relied upon under 35 USC §120. Applicants identify these documents by attaching hereto a form PTO-1449 listing these documents, and request that they be considered and made of record in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(d). Per Section 1.98(d), copies of these documents need not be filed in this application.

[ ] Incorporation By Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied herewith, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

[X] In accordance with 37 CFR 1.53(a) and (b), it is respectfully requested that a serial number and filing date be assigned to this application as of the date of receipt of the present papers. In accordance with the present procedures of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, an executed Declaration and the filing fee for the present application will be filed in due course.

[X] **No authorization is given for charging the filing fee at the present time. However, at such time that the declaration is filed, but not before, you are authorized to charge whatever excess fees are necessary (including the filing fee and any extension of time fees then due) to Deposit Account 02-4035, if any such fees due are not fully covered by check filed at that time.**

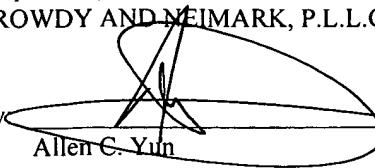
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